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SUBJECT: EARLY RECONVENING OF GENEVA CONFERENCE

1. ROSE AL-YUSUFF NOV 17 CONTAINS INTERVIEW WITH FONMIN FAHMY IN WHICH HE REPORTEDLY SAID THAT GOE REFUSES TO DISCUSS ANY MORE POLITICAL INITIATIVES OUTSIDE OF GENEVA CONFERENCE AND THAT EGYPT STRONGLY SUPPORTS EARLY RECONVENING OF GENEVA CONFERENCE, SINCE IT IS THE ONLY PLACE FOR SUBMITTING AND DISCUSSING ANY PROPOSAL.

2. FONMIN IS ALSO REPORTED TO HAVE SAID THAT THIS HAS BEEN GOE POLICY IN PAST AND THIS ATTITUDE WOULD BE REAFFIRMED DURING SADAT MEETINGS WITH PRESIDENT FORD, BREZHNEV, GISCARD, AND WITH "THE GROUP OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES."

3. AS IS HIS WONT, FAHMY IS QUOTED AS REMARKING ISRAEL HAS AN INTEREST IN DELAYING FURTHER GENEVA MEETING SINCE GOE PROPAGANDA IS BASED ON ALLEGATIONS THAT ISRAELIS WANT TO NEGOTIATE BUT ARABS REFUSE. AT PRESENT, FAHMY REPORTEDLY CONTINUED, ISRAEL WANTS TO EVADE THE GENEVA TEST SO THAT AREA TENSION CONTINUES, ALLOWING

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ISRAEL TO OBTAIN "WEAPONS, MONEY AND MANPOWER."

4. WE NOTE CAIRO RADIO REPORT OF ROSE AL-YUSUF INTERVIEW
(FBIS BE 181841) INCLUDED COMMENT THAT "POLITICAL OBSERVERS IN
CAIRO" EXPLAINED THAT FAHMY STATEMENTS TO ROSE AL-YUSUF CONSTITUTE
"DENIAL OF PREVIOUS IMPRESSIONX" THAT THERE WILL BE NEW ISRAELI/
EGYPTIAN NEGOTIATIONS OUTSIDE SCOPE OF GENEVA TO ACHIEVE A NEW
ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL PRIOR TO "RESUMPTION OF GENEVA CONFERENCE
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